

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Attorney Docket No.: CDT002DC1

First Named Inventor: Thomas

**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.53(b))**  
(Continuation, Divisional or Continuation-in-part application)

Mail Stop: Patent Application  
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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR. § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:

**C. Douglass Thomas**

For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMPROVING PERFORMANCE ON MULTIPLE-CHOICE EXAMS**

This application is a ☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part

of prior Application No.: **10/273,430**, from which priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 is claimed.

**Application Elements:**

- ☒ 27 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract  
☒ 10 Sheets of Drawings  
☒ Declaration  
☒ Newly executed (original or copy)  
☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) for a continuation or divisional). The entire disclosure of the prior application from which a copy of the declaration is herein supplied is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.  
☐ Deletion of inventors Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

**Accompanying Application Parts:**

- ☐ Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)  
☐ Power of Attorney  
☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee  
☒ Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations  
☐ Preliminary Amendment (*New claims numbered after highest original claim in prior application.*)  
☒ Return Receipt Postcard  
☐ Small Entity Statement(s) ☐ Statement filed in prior application. Status still proper and desired.  
☒ Nonpublication Request

Extension of Time for Prior Pending Application

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A Petition for Extension of Time is being concurrently filed in the prior pending application. A copy of the Petition for Extension of Time is attached.

Amendments

No amendments to the specification at this time.

Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

	(Col. 1) Total Claims		(Col. 2) Claims	(Col. 3) Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
TOTAL	21	MINUS	20	= 1	x 18 =	18.00
INDEP.	2	MINUS	3	= 0	x 86 =	
[ ] First presentation of multiple dependent claim					\$290 =	
Basic Filing Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a)					\$770 =	770.00
TOTAL						788.00
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A check in the amount of \$ 788.00 is enclosed.

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The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees beyond the amount enclosed which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. RLCG000).

General Authorization for Petition for Extension of Time (37 CFR §1.136)

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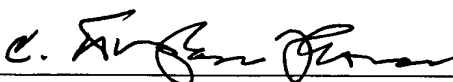
Applicants hereby make and generally authorize any Petitions for Extensions of Time as may be needed for any subsequent filings. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fees under 37 CFR §1.17 as may be needed to Deposit Account No. 50-0388 (Order No. RLCG000).

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CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING

I hereby certify that this paper and the documents and/or fees referred to as attached therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on November 29, 2003 in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR §1.10, Mailing Label Number , addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

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**NONPUBLICATION REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION  
(35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i))**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen (18) months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application **NOT** be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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